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1. The Afghan government is said to be developing a master plan for the Helmand Valley which includes adding a hydroelectric power capability to the Kajakai Dam, increasing the storage capacity of reservoirs associated with the dam, improving agriculture in the upper Helmand Valley, and installing a US\$1 billion railroad.
2. So far, only the hydroelectric project is evident. A powerhouse is going up at the dam which will be completed in three years and which will, initially, produce 50 megawatts of power from three generating units for transmission over 110 kv. circuits to Kandahar and Lashkargah. Seven years after the powerhouse is completed, its generating capacity will be boosted to a total of 150 megawatts with the addition of a second set of circuits to Kandahar and Lashkargah and two more generating units at the powerhouse rated at 50 megawatts each.
3. The reservoir enlargements are reported to be in the offing, with money coming from the Asian Development Bank. The railroad and the agricultural improvements are tentative. The railroad was to have been financed from Iranian and Saudi sources, but firm commitments from those sources have barely reached US\$20 million.

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